

ORDINANCE NO. 024-121

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING
AWARD OF A NON-COMPETITIVELY
BID PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
CONTRACT TO AMANDA WILLIAMS,
LLC FOR ARTWORK FOR THE
GREEN LINE HALSTED STATION

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority (the “Authority”) seeks to incorporate artwork at the Green Line Halsted station to create public art for riders and the community; and

WHEREAS, Original artwork will contribute to the station’s identity and enhance travel for customers by promoting a friendly, inviting atmosphere at the station; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Williams, a Chicago-based artist who was trained as an architect at Cornell University and has been a United States Art Fellow, Leadership Greater Chicago Fellow, and a member of the multidisciplinary design team for the Obama Presidential Center, was invited to submit a proposal for permanent artwork for the Green Line Halsted station; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williams has exhibited widely, including at the Venice Architecture Biennale, the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago, the Art Institute of Chicago, and the Pulitzer Arts Foundation in Saint Louis; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Williams was born in Chicago, raised in the Auburn-Gresham neighborhood, and lives and works on Chicago’s South Side; and

WHEREAS, The Authority has reviewed and accepted Ms. Williams’ proposal for artwork at the Green Line Halsted station; and

WHEREAS, Based on Ms. Williams’ unique knowledge, qualifications, and past performance, the Authority has determined that it would not be cost effective, time efficient, or in the best interests of the Authority or the public to advertise for these services; and

WHEREAS, Section 1.4B of the Authority’s Procurement Policy and Procedures provides for the award of contracts without competitive bidding when the desired services require professional, technical, or artistic skill and federal funds are not utilized; now, therefore:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

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SECTION 1. The Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, the President of the Authority, and the Vice President of Purchasing and Supply Chain, or their designees, are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Amanda Williams, LLC for artwork for the Green Line Halsted Station for an amount not to exceed Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$400,000.00) under Requisition No. C24OP103035400.

SECTION 2. The Chairman, President, and Vice President of Purchasing and Supply Chain, or their designees, are further authorized to take such actions and execute such documents as may be necessary to implement the objectives of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

PASSED:

Chairman

September 11, 2024

Secretary

September 11, 2024